RESULTS OF THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE AND THE STANDING FINANCE COMMITTEE.

PRESIDENT: I have to announce to the House the results of the election held last evening in respect of the Public Accounts Committee and the Standing Finance Committee.

As regards the Public Accounts Committee, eight candidates had offered themselves and the ballot box was favourable to Mr. A. Easwara Pillai and Mr. K. A. Narayana Pillai, and in regard to the Standing Finance Committee Mr. Pottayil S Krishna Panickar and Mr. Pacode A. Narayana Pillai.

MR. A. EASWARA PILLAI (*Kalkulam II*): Sir, there are two A. Easwara Pillai's. I wish to know which of the Easwara Pillai's is elected.

PRESIDENT Mr A. Easwara Pillai, Kottarakara.

DEMANDS FOR GRANTS—(*Contd.*)

DEMAND X - FOREST—(*Contd.*)

PRESIDENT: We will proceed to the discussion of Demands for Grants. Forest was under consideration when the House rose last evening and Motion No. 502 had been finished. We will now take up item No. 503.

Motion No. 503.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Sir, I beg to move:

That the allotment of Rs. 30,512 for Direction be reduced by Re. 1.

MR. K. P. KRISHNA MENON (*Parur*): Sir, I rise to a point of order. The amount includes non-votable items. I wish to know whether that can also be discussed?

PRESIDENT: That will be eliminated. He cannot speak about non-votable items.

MR. S. J NAIR (*Nedumangad*): The object of my motion is "To discuss the need and necessity of granting the registry of swampy areas inside the Reserve Forests in order to control the epidemic of malaria and to develop paddy cultivation in the State". Sir, it is known to all that there are extensive areas of swampy lands that lie idle inside the Reserve Forests in Travancore. Some time ago the Swampy Areas Committee was appointed and they have recommended the need for the registry of the swampy areas. But I must inform the Honourable members of this House as well as the Government that the members of the Committee were not given proper facilities and convenience by the Forest Department authorities to go and have personal inspection of the lands that are best suited for registry as well as for paddy cultivation. The officers in the Forest Department were very careful to see that these gentlmen were not taken to the interior parts of the Reserved

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